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Fayetteville Chosen to Receive LCI Grant

(Fayetteville- May 21, 2003) Fayetteville is one of 25 communities chosen to receive some \$27 million in grants funded through the ARC to boost livability. Of the 25 communities, Fayetteville will receive a \$1.45 million dollar grant through the Atlanta Regional Commission's Livable Centers Initiative. These funds will be used as implementation dollars to pursue the plans that were the result of efforts funded through a previous study grant which was presented to Fayetteville in 2002.

The mission of the LCI grant is to enhance mobility and livability around town centers where cities already have services and amenities in place. Last year Fayetteville received a \$75,000 grant to study and determine how to improve these goals in their own downtown area. Urban Collage, an Atlanta based urban design company, assisted Fayetteville in creating a strategic plan that helped to invigorate the historic downtown, create better connectivity and put into place proper land use and market strategies for the designated area.

The scheduled plan for Fayetteville is to begin design work in 2004, with construction commencing in 2005. Plans include additional open space, mixed use

development and improved connectivity to enhance the historic town center.

Pedestrian amenities and parking facilities will also be added to support the proposed Village Green.

For further information regarding the LCI grant, and the future goals of the City of Fayetteville, contact Jahnee Prince, director of Planning and Zoning, Joe Morton, City Manager or Nancy Price, Main Street Program Manager at 770-461-6029.